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Section 8: Housing Choice Voucher/ Tenant-Based Rental Assistance for Persons Living with HIV/AIDS

Fact Sheet

The Section 8 Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) provides rental subsidies and support services for persons living with HIV/AIDS. The goal of the program is to assist individuals and families with HIV/AIDS by helping them to stabilize their lives, overcome problems, and promote living with dignity.

DHCD's Division of Public Housing and Rental Assistance, which administers this program, has the responsibility for regulatory and administrative oversight of all state and federally-aided rental assistance programs which address the needs of low-income families, the elderly and persons with disabilities.

How it works

Persons accepted into the program receive a Section 8/HCVP Voucher and supportive services. A lead service agency, JRI Health, provides intake, assessment, housing search and provides the critical linkages to other service providing agencies throughout the Commonwealth. Supportive services may include: assistance finding a suitable apartment; case management; substance abuse/relapse prevention support; coordinating home health services; home-based mental health support; housekeeping assistance; and help arranging respite care, day care and transportation.

Who is eligible

Very low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS who are also Section 8/HCVP eligible.

Application process

All applicants must be referred to DHCD by the JRI Health staff.

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Grants Up to 229 TBRA subsidies are distributed by DHCD throughout the

Commonwealth.

For further information

Please contact the Bureau of Federal Rental Assistance at (617) 573-1150.